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WAR IMMINENT AND WASHINGTON ALERT

American Marines on Guard in Korean Capital, Where Outbreak Is Threatened, While Russia and Japan Are Rushing Army Forces to the Centre of Trouble.

British Marine Engineers Sail in Haste on Orders from the Mikado and Naval Men Start for Italy to Man New Warships—Japan States Her Case.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Advices from the Far East to-day all have an ominous tone, with Korea the centre of interest, hence the landing of American marines at Seoul has added interest in view of a possible clash in that territory between Japan and Russia. The Koreans are restive and threaten an outbreak. While the Americans at Seoul have not been reported actually menaced, their safety is a matter of concern which the government has given full weight.

A despatch received by the French Foreign Office at Paris from Seoul gives the circumstances leading up to the landing of American marines in Korea yesterday, a detachment of thirty-five men having been sent to Seoul from the United States gunboat Vicksburg, now at Chemulpo, to guard the American Legation. It says:

"The Korean army is seriously disaffected, chiefly because of pay arrears, and is threatening to engage in an outbreak at any moment, although no actual disturbance has occurred up to this time. As a precaution, the American Minister asked for a marine guard, which was landed.

"Two British warships, two Russian and one American are in the harbor of Chemulpo. The naval officers say they will remain at Chemulpo until the crisis is over. The Korean authorities admit that they cannot answer for the loyalty and discipline of the troops, but the Americans are the only ones who thus far have considered the landing of marines necessary."

TROOPS RUSHED TO COREA.

Russia has despatched the second Russian rifle regiment to Korea, and Japan has decided to land 8,000 troops.

Correspondents on the ground believe the landing of troops by Japan will be the signal for opposition by Russia that will result in a battle. The action of the United States in landing marines in itself shows that a critical state of affairs exists in the Korean capital, and that American interests may be in peril through riot stirred up by either Russian or Japanese agents at Seoul for the purpose of fomenting trouble.

TROUBLE IN SEOUL WOULD HASTEN CRISIS.

Trouble in Seoul would be the spark needed to start the conflagration the world has been expecting for a year or more, according to the men who have been watching the situation in the East.

It is said the Japanese troops are ready to land at Masampho, and if they do this act will mean war, as under no circumstances will Japan be permitted to occupy a strategical point of the importance Masampho is to Russia.

In addition to these despatches there is also the information that Japan is ready to throw 35,000 troops into Korea, and has made preparations to do so.

JAPAN'S TERMS, WHICH WILL BE BACKED BY WAR.

TOKIO, Jan. 6.—A high Japanese authority to-day made the following explanation of the status of the Far Eastern questions:

"The statement that Russia has made concessions to Japan is not exact. On the contrary Russia, in the month of October, made certain concessions, which were accepted by Japan, subse-

quently withdrew them and assumed an attitude which left the Japanese little hope in the way of reaching a satisfactory agreement.

"The Japanese Government, confident in the declarations of disinterestedness in Manchuria made by Russia, and

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EXPLOSION CAUSES PANIC IN HARLEM

Manhole Cover Is Blown Off at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street and Third Avenue, Spreading Terror in a Crowd.

A large number of people waiting for the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street car at Third Avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, this afternoon were thrown into a panic and narrowly escaped injury when two covers of a manhole of the Electric Light Subway Company were hurled into the air. They sought shelter in neighboring stores and behind the staircases leading to the elevated road.

A flames shot from the manhole and burned for fifteen minutes. All cars were stopped for a short time and traffic was interfered with.

Upon investigation the manhole was found to be filled with a mass of wires which because of their covering of tar, cotton and lead caused them to burn brightly.

The explosion is supposed to have been caused by escaping gas becoming ignited by an electric wire.

BELIEVE AMERICAN MURDERED IN PARIS

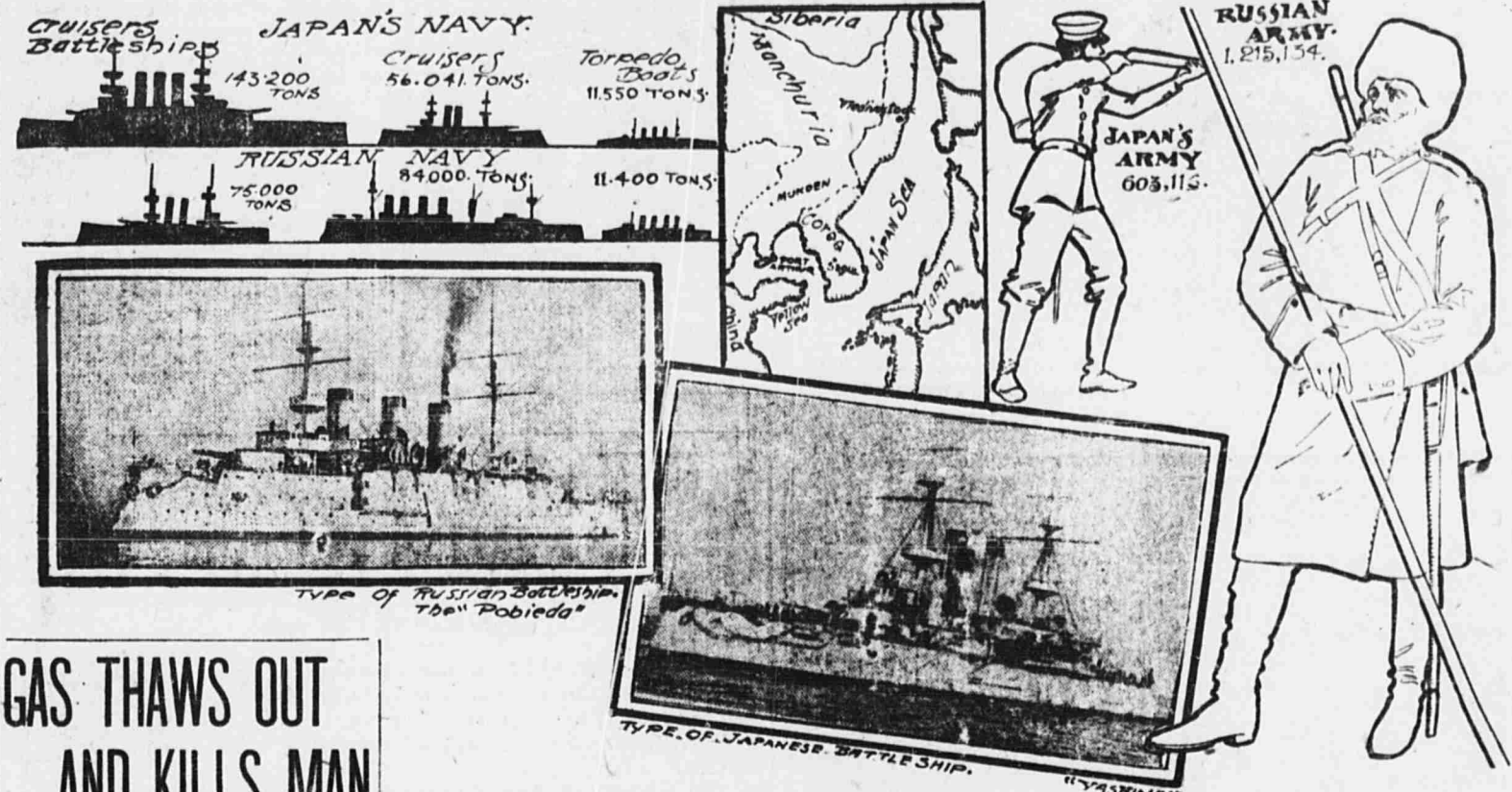
H. Hazelton, Registered from St. Louis, but with Relatives in New York, Is Mysteriously Missing in French Capital.

PARIS, Jan. 6.—H. Hazelton, who registered at the Hotel de l'Athenes from St. Louis, Mo., but whose relatives live in New York, has been missing since Dec. 20. His hat, hotel key and hotel bill, were found on the bank of the Seine, but the police have dragged the Seine thus far without finding the body, and have also instituted a search for the missing man in this city, but no trace of Hazelton has been found.

At the Hotel de l'Athenes, it was said that no reason was known for the man's disappearance. Hazelton at the time he dropped out of sight was known to have in his pocket a letter of credit for a large amount. It was said that Hazelton was murdered and that his body was thrown into the Seine.

Father John's Medicine cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and all throat and lung troubles.

JAPAN'S FIGHTING STRENGTH COMPARED WITH RUSSIA'S; SOME TYPES OF THEIR BATTLESHIPS AND THE WAR CENTRE.



GAS THAWS OUT AND KILLS MAN

Frank Coffey, Manager of New York Hotel Restaurant, Found Dead in His Room When Boy Went to Call Him.

One man lost his life and two others had narrow escapes in the New York Hotel, at No. 1544 Broadway, to-day from escaping gas. The dead man is Frank Coffey, thirty-five years old, the manager of the hotel restaurant. The names of the other men the hotel people refuse to give out.

When Coffey retired last night he left the gas burning. The gas froze during the night and the light went out. Early this morning the gas was thawed out and of course flowed freely from the open jet.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon a friend called for Coffey, and the hallway boy went to summon him found him dead in bed.

A precisely similar accident occurred on another floor of the hotel in a room occupied by two men. Both men were taken out unconscious, but an ambulance surgeon managed to restore them.

BOY BANDITS ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

Court Excludes the Morbidly Curious and Overrules Motion for Delay Made by Lawyer for Prisoners.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—The trial of the car bandits, Marx, Niedermeyer, Van Dine and Roelski, began before Judge Kersten to-day. Among those present was the mother of Niedermeyer, who has been familiarizing herself with court methods by attending a murder trial conducted by another Judge during the past few days.

The morbidly curious were rigidly excluded, no person not directly connected with the trial being admitted.

The specific case called was that of the murder of Frank W. Stewart, clerk in charge of the money at the car bank office. Roelski, one of the bandits, is not a defendant in this particular case.

The first step taken by the defense was a motion to seek delay on behalf of Van Dine. An affidavit was presented to the effect that the effort had failed to secure the attendance of Dr. James C. Ross, who is in Colorado.

Van Dine was employed by Mr. Ross in Chicago Heights, and it is said that the physician will testify that Van Dine is insane.

Judge Kersten overruled the motion and ordered the defendants to proceed to trial at once.

WOMAN CUTS HER THROAT.

Mrs. Frank Nebel, in Poor Health, Ends Her Life.

(Special to The Evening World.) ELIZABETH N. J. Jan. 6.—Mrs. Frank Nebel, wife of a Broad street fruit dealer, despondent because of poor health, slashed her throat with a fruit knife at her home on East Broad street to-day.

She was taken to the hospital, where she died.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday for New York City and vicinity: Generally fair and not so cold to-night and Thursday; light to fresh west to southwest winds.

Piso's Cure for Consumption also cures coughs, colds, sore lungs and asthma.

SPECIAL EXTRA. M'ADOO WILL CLOSE DEATH TRAP THEATRES

Police Commissioner McAdoo said this afternoon that he would bring proceedings against all theatres not obeying the law as soon as the Fire or Building Department reported to him sufficient evidence on which to act.

Mr. McAdoo is not ready to make any changes in the Police Department and does not contemplate displacing Inspector McClusky as Chief of the Detective Bureau.

LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.
Fourth Race—Tribes Hill 1, Lauralight 2, Bondage 3.
Fifth Race—Morning Star 1, Imp. Mad Mullah 2, Dusky 3.
Sixth Race—Ethel Wheat 1, The Messenger, Bard of Avon.

NURSE GIRL ARRESTED FOR POISON CANDY OUTRAGE.
ITHACA, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Margaret Cunningham, a nurse girl in the employ of Prof. Chamberlain, of the Cornell University, was to-day arrested on the charge of sending the box of poisoned candy to the home of Michael Casey, causing the serious illness of his two children.

50 NEW YORK THEATRES REPORTED TO BE SAFE

Building Department Inspectors Have Examined All But Thirteen of the City Playhouses and Only Found Minor Violations of Law.

The inspectors sent out by Building Commissioner Thompson to look into the condition of the theatres of the city reported that they had inspected fifty of the sixty-three places of amusement in New York up to 3:30 o'clock this afternoon and that they had not found a single theatre in which there were violations of the building code of sufficient importance to warrant closing orders.

Many minor violations were discovered. In each case the inspector served notice upon the manager that the defects must be remedied. In many theatres there were traces of recent activity in the way of compliance with building regulations, doubtless caused by the curiosity of the public as to provisions for the safety of local play-goers, following the Chicago fire.

The managers were notified yesterday that Building Department inspectors would visit their houses and they were around early to-day. The inspectors reported that all the managers visited were anxious to show every part of their houses and that they expressed the utmost willingness to do everything possible in the line of securing absolute safety.

Many Technical Violations. "I gather from the reports," said Mr. Thompson, "that there were many minor and technical violations, but nothing of a serious nature. The managers have been ordered to comply with the letter of the law and hereafter inspections will be made frequently enough to guard against laxity in the enforcement of the provisions of the code."

A complete report on the condition of every theatre in the city from the point of view of the Building Department will be forwarded to Mayor McClellan to-night. Reports will also be sent from the Fire Department and the Health Department. Upon these the Mayor will base his action.

Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity John T. Oakley to-day joined the theatre death-trap hunters. He ordered a thorough inspection of electric-lighting plants and wires and connections in all theatres and public halls in the city.

"It is obvious that fires have been occasioned by imperfect insulation," said Commissioner Oakley. "I believe that an official inspection of electric wires in theatres is needed."

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KOMOMBO WINS THE THIRD RACE

Favorites Have a Bad Day at the New Orleans Track—Fort Plain Takes First and Lingo the Second.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Fort Plain (6 to 1), Kings Charm (10 to 1), Cedar Rapids 3.

SECOND RACE—Lingo (2 to 1), Ochlawaha (8 to 1), Circus Girl 3.

THIRD RACE—Komombo (5 to 1), Miss Hume (8 to 1), Nellie Waddell 3.

(Special to The Evening World.) **RACE TRACK, NEW ORLEANS.** Jan. 6.—Ideal racing weather and a fast track had a tendency to make the sport more interesting than ever at the Crescent City course to-day. Large fields went to the post in all but one race.

SIX FURLONGS.
Starters, white, locks, St. Hif. Fin. Str. Pl.
Fort Plain, 10, Kings Charm, 2, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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